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to report them. Twelve deaths were attributed to influenza during the month of December.

Tortugas Quarantine, Key West, Fla.—Only two cases of influenza have been observed this winter. Both patients were naval officers who arrived from Norfolk and Washington, respectively, and were taken sick the day after arrival at Key West with La grippe of the pulmonary type, but mild.

Vicksburg, Miss.—La grippe has been epidemic in this locality for the past three weeks. It is not confined to towns and cities, but seems to affect the whole population. The nervous type presents itself most frequently, often complicated with meningitis, in which cases it is generally fatal. The epidemic is not as general and severe as in former years.

Vineyard Haven, Mass.—La grippe is widely prevalent in this locality. In this village of about 800 inhabitants there have been about 50 cases. The treatment has been symptomatic. In the marine hospital the cases have been isolated.

Wheeling, W. Va.—A few cases, mild in character, medicinal treatment. There is a marked difference between the disease as observed this year and the epidemic of 1890, when the cases were numerous and very severe.

Measles in Boston, Mass.

BOSTON, MASS., *January 15, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended yesterday, there were in Boston 210 cases of measles, with 2 deaths.

Respectfully, yours,

FAIRFAX IRWIN,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox in Alexandria, Va.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., *January 10, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report 1 additional case of variola here. This case is traced direct to last reported. I have every reason to believe that there are other cases in town. Dr. Miller, the health officer, has kindly promised to keep me fully informed regarding all cases. Previously reported cases convalescent.

Dr. Miller has just reported case of varioloid transferred from quarantined house to pesthouse.

Very respectfully,

HAMILTON P. HOWARD,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., *January 13, 1899.*

SIR: Dr. Miller reports to me 1 more case of variola last evening and 2 to-day, making total of 9.

Very respectfully,

HAMILTON P. HOWARD,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.